# 'Society at fault in all our ills'

I suggest the following as a partial explanation for the rise in drug abuse. For the last decade or so, people seem to have been searching more and more hungrily for thrills: sex, drugs, crime, hedonism, unrestrained emotionality — any source of stimulation. Conclusion? They are bored to death.

The individual today is not responsible for his own fate. Society takes care of him as long as he follows orders. Nothing he does is really important — unless he does something wild that is not sanctioned by society. Which may be exactly why so many people today are doing wild things.

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